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3.45 p.m. to 4.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes  
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1—Authorized Capital £6,000,000  
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II—Fire Funds..... £3,871,07  
III—Life & Annuity Funds..... 17,667,801  
Sinking Fund Account..... 1,232,230

£22,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch..... £2,381,456

\*\* Life and Annuity Branches..... 2,141,583

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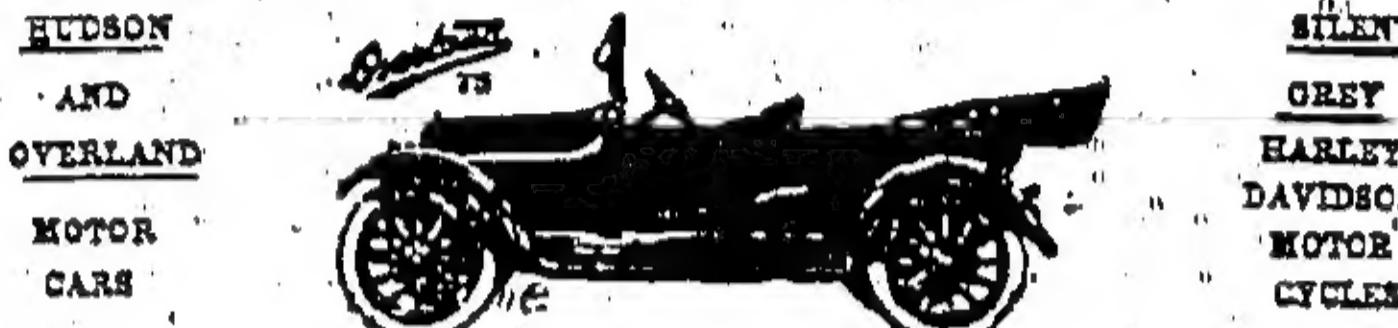
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## THE WAR.

### LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters's Service to the China Mail.)

#### GERMANY'S PEACE TERMS.

##### A SENSATION IN GERMANY.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 9.

There is a great sensation in Germany owing to a declaration by Dr. Michaelis that Germany would shortly be able to publish her peace terms.

##### AUSTRIA PRESSING FOR PEACE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.

The Vienna Correspondent of the *Hamburger Nachrichten* denounces the renewed activities of an influential circle in Austria-Hungary which is working for a speedy termination of the war at any cost.

The *Hannoverpost* declares, in its issue of September 10, in this connection, that Austria has been exerting the strongest pressure to induce Germany towards peace and has been sending out feelers in other directions, especially to London. The paper concludes: "If Germany does not yield to Austrian pressure, very possibly an agreement may shortly be reached with Downing Street, without Germany."

##### PROMOTING THE WAR SPIRIT IN GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.

The German correspondent of the *Rheinische Westfaelische* reports the inauguration of a patriotic party with the object of promoting the war spirit and to oppose the tendencies represented in the Reichstag Majority's resolution.

The president is the Duke of Mecklenburg and Admiral von Tirpitz.

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Hongkong, Sept. 8, 1917. 2089

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, on SATURDAY the 29th of September, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1917. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st to 29th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPIRAK & CO.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, Sept. 8, 1917. 2083

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION). (Incorporated in England)

UNREDEEMED BANK NOTES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any OUTSTANDING NOTES will be paid on presentation to the under-signed on or before SATURDAY, 29th September, 1917, at Noon.

AFTER THAT DATE, holders will find it necessary to claim repayment in writing from the BOARD OF TRADE, LONDON, at whom the necessary funds will be remitted.

THE BOARD OF TRADE makes a charge for payment of claims out of monies deposited in the "COMPANIES LIQUIDATION ACCOUNT" at the Bank of England.

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## DEMOCRACY IN GERMANY.

## REMARKABLE APPEAL TO THE KAISER.

The following is a translation of a letter by the German poet Klubund which was published in the *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, the leading Swiss newspaper, on June 3rd last. The writer is a man of Socialistic tendencies, has been fighting in the trenches, and we believe, is now interned in Switzerland. The letter reads as follows:

OPEN LETTER TO EMPEROR WILLIAM II.

"Your MAJESTY, you can feel it in your isolation and in your solitude are the eyes of the whole world directed on you—imploring, begging, asking, demanding. However much the Press, inimical to you is painting you as a vandal and barbarian—however uncharitable and insipid diplomats and men in Government service, who would be better described as State paupers, are nursing the mistaken plan of curing militarism by the far worse. Imperialism of your conception, and wish to destroy the Satanic mechanism by a super-diabolical materialism—in all countries are the eyes of those people who remain human beings, and the eyes of the Tommies, mousjiks, Poilus, of those clad in field-grey and khaki, directed on you. For you, Your Majesty, have it in your power to give the world an early peace."

"You protest that in November last year you were ready to make peace. You did indeed offer the enemy your hand for peace, but your hand was a clenched fist, and no human hand with warm blood flowing in it—it was the iron fist of Goetz von Berlichingen.

"Your Majesty, can you recognise the signs of the times? Can you not see that all ideas of Power and Might have been shipwrecked in this war? Power is but a clay idol if it is not united with intellect, kindness, and justice. Forever have those principles associated with the reign of Power and its attributes—ambition of ruling, arrogance, police-force spirit, idolatry, Byzantium and Mammonism (these last two are always dependent, and feeding on each other) to disappear.

"Your Majesty, your Easter message to your people brightened the hearts of the German nation and temporarily gladdened their eyes with a few rays of light. But do you not understand that if you wish to speak to a people which wishes to be free and which you honour and esteem, you ought to speak as a free man to a free people? But you spoke in your old baronial style.

"The public and secret Cabinets of Berlin are still strongholds of serfdom. Rights, your Majesty, are not granted, they are inherent, essential and pre-existing.

"Give it up, this belief in divine mission and move about as a man amongst men. Discard the purple of exclusiveness, and don the cloak of others: that of brotherly love. Erect the real people's kingdom of the Hohenzollern. Free yourself from your ancestors; free yourself from the illusion that you can rely on a small capitalistic feudal clan, from which your officials and highest officers are drawn, and which is drowning the eyes and agonies of your

people with trumpets and kettle-drums. They are really destroying your throne in holding down the blinded Samson until one day he will pull down the pillars of the State.

"Now, your Majesty, you are a shadow Emperor, because you are in the shade of the plutocratic munition-manufacturers and autocratic barons. Be yourself, show yourself as a real noble Christian and give your people out of an overflowing heart, the freedom of their son, and their wishes. Forget the words you once wrote in the 'Golden Book' of *Rerum voluntas suprema lex*. Give them out of your own free will—not out of grace, but out of righteousness, as standing on a level with you people and living in union with them. Out of mutual love, out of brotherly love.

"What indescribable jubilation would resound all over the country if it was given out that the William II. recognises that an undutiful, disastrous, inhuman right to decide infallibly, in war or peace? In weighty decisions of this kind, concerning the welfare of your people, the co-operation and the consent of your people is required.

Henceforward, he will not be the master any more, but the servant of the German General Staff.

The Army would be worn in the name of the Fatherland, because it is the army of the people. Without delay, the House Deputies and the Reichstag should assemble to prepare a reorganisation of our Constitution, and suffrage on the proportionate principle, under which majorities will not be violated and minorities not suppressed, a parliamentary and democratically-governed country, in which Ministries are chosen by the people's will and supported by them, and are not responsible to a single man.

The German people have ripened during these many years of unfold suffering, have grown out of their childhood. They need no more any tutelary they are sick of it.

You, Your Majesty, don't you feel sometimes during sleepless nights, the weight of this boundless responsibility? How light would this feel if the people themselves helped you to carry this load, sharing in the responsibility because they are sick of it.

"I am, Your Majesty,  
Humbly Yours,  
"KLUBUND."

"Then will your name be mentioned as rarely great in the new books of history, as is not the history of military alliances but the history of intellectual achievements will be written.

"Then will the popular kingdom of the Hohenzollern be built on rock, whereas at present it is only a building of clouds, that—if you will not see the signs of the times will be soon dispelled in the coming storm."

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## A PATRIOTIC CALL.

## THE HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

## PROSPECTUS

Inviting public subscription for 85,000 shares at par (\$10 each), upon an increase of the Capital of the Company.

## REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1916-17.

Report presented to the Shareholders at the Seventh Ordinary General Meeting held at the Office of the General Managers, on Wednesday, the 6th August, 1917 at 11.30 o'clock a.m.

The General Managers have now the pleasure to submit their annual report and statement of the Company's accounts made up 31st May, 1917.

The net profit for the year ended 31st May, 1917, after allowing for interest, Auditor's Fees and writing off depreciation on Company's Plant, Machinery, Launches and Stock is \$19,817.93. This amount together with the sum of \$19,484.63 undistributed profit brought forward from last year makes an available balance of \$39,368.53 which it is resolved to appropriate as follows.—To place to Reserve Fund \$10,000.00. To pay a dividend of \$1.00 per share \$19,808.00. To carry forward to credit of next year's account \$21,558.55.

Dr. C. BERNARD BROWN, A.C.A., Auditor.

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST MAY, 1917.

SHARE CAPITAL	LIABILITIES	ASSETS	
Authorized 100,000 shares at \$10 each—\$1,000,000		Machinery, Melting Furnaces, Foundry and Tools including Amalgamating and Reducing Ovens and other rights to secret processes as per last account.....	
Issued 7,000 shares at \$10 each		\$3,628.15 \$11,25	
MORTGAGE ACCOUNT .....	Less sold, &c.	6,227.72	
SUNDAY CREDITORS including General Managers PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		Less Depreciation..... Additions during the year..... Value of 2 Launches as per last account..... Less Depreciation..... Office Furniture and Pictures including valuable drawings as per last account..... Less Depreciation..... Stock in trade..... Less Depreciation.....	8,354.63 8,227.72 \$7,419.15 4,826.98 \$10.00 \$10.00 \$27,609.79 798.39
Balance as per last account..... Profit for the year.....		22,224.61 6,056.00 723.00 56,823.91 1,000.00 12,374.25 7,499.10	
19,817.93	22,304	142,507.77	

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the year ending 31st May, 1917.

To Interest Account	By Balance Working Account
Auditor's Fees	\$10.00
Depreciation on Machy, Plant, Stock &c.	5,227.72
Writing off old Machinery	65.25
Profit for the year	19,817.93
	56,823.91
	1,000.00
	12,374.25
	7,499.10
	142,507.77

GORDON & CO.,  
General Managers.

I report that I have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers of the Company and have found it to be in accordance therewith.

I have received all the information and explanations I have required. No depreciation has been written off Steel Process Patent Lights which appear in the books at their original cost namely \$21,398.56. Subject to the foregoing observation in my opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given me and as shown by the books of the Company.

C. BERNARD BROWN, A.C.A.,  
Auditor.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1917.

The Register for application of Shares will be closed on Thursday, 1st November, 1917, at 3 o'clock.

## THE WAR.

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## SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## THE GERMAN INVASION OF RUSSIA.

## SPECULATIONS REGARDING GERMAN INTENTIONS.

London, Sept. 8.

The intentions of the Germans on the Riga front are still not clear. The fall of Friederichstadt and Dvinsk is threatened by their advance, but though it is practically unopposed, except for rearguards, the fact that they are operating on a small front, and the lateness of the season, suggest that the Germans do not contemplate the extensive operations involved in a march to Petrograd. They will probably be satisfied with the occupation of Livonia, and perhaps Estonia, and the establishment of bases on the coast in order to relieve the pressure on the railways.

It is believed that the Russians have long prepared a line of defence. This may mark the limit of the German advance before the winter.

## AEROPLANES ATTACK RUSSIAN WARSHIPS.

## SITUATION IN RIGA REGION UNCHANGED.

London, Sept. 8.

A Russian official report states:—The situation in the Riga region is unchanged.

Enemy aeroplanes bombed Jacobstadt.

Five enemy aeroplanes unsuccessfully attacked our torpedo-boat patrols in the Gulf of Riga.

## GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report says:—Our cavalry are fighting on a line westward of Wenden to Kokenhausen, where the enemy are hastily entrenching.

The enemy have evacuated positions westward of Kokenhausen.

The guns captured on the Riga battlefield number 316.

## PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.

In view of the possibility of the German invasion coming beyond

the Riga sector, the Russian State Bank and the artillery headquarters are being removed from Nijnowgorod.

## KAISER AND RIGA.

## THE LORD OF CREATION HAS GRANTED OUR PRAYERS."

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8.

The Kaiser, in a boastful speech to the troops at Riga, said:

"This town, founded on the old German spirit, has again been liberated from oppression. Your success has been more rapid than was expected. The enemy has sustained a crushing blow. We will defend ourselves, no matter how long. Such blows as Riga will hasten the victory. The Lord of Creation has granted our prayers, giving us daily bread. Therefore onward, with iron will, to victory!"

## THE ITALIAN FRONT.

## OVER 30,000 PRISONERS IN THE OFFENSIVE.

Rome, Sept. 8.

An Italian official report states:

North-eastward of Gorizia the enemy's lines of communication were subjected to an intense barrage fire.

We took prisoner during the actual offensive 30,071.

## THE DESPERATION OF THE AUSTRIANS.

STRIVING TO STEM THE ITALIANS.

UDINE, Sept. 8.

The concentrated efforts of Austria's foremost Generals—Hochendorf, Eckart and Borovic—are striving to stem the Italian waves, positions are being bombarded most violently from Castagnavizza to the coast, while successive columns of fresh Austrians have launched attacks, regardless of losses, especially

against Selo, where the Italians threaten the northern slopes of Hermada.

## GERMANS REPORT A BIG FRENCH ATTACK.

LONDON, Sept. 8.

A German official report says:—The French attack between Sarrignies and Beaumont-Vauclerc, Anvill Roud, on a front of twenty miles, was repulsed with heavy losses.

Fresh fighting has developed this morning.

## RECIPROCAL ARTILLERY FIGHTING.

PARIS, Sept. 8.

A communiqué states:—There was reciprocal artillery activity at various points, particularly east of Vauxhallion, in the Champagne mountain region, and on both banks of the Meuse.

## SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S LATEST REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 8.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

We successfully raided in the neighbourhood of Gavrelle.



Patrol fighting is going on northward of St. Julien.

The enemy heavily shelled Langemack last evening.

## AERIAL COMMAND.

LONDON, Sept. 8.

The Daily Chronicle urges that General Smuts be given supreme aerial command.

## AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

## APPEAL FOR NATIONAL UNITY AND ACTION.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.

The newspapers of all shades of opinion appeal for national unity and action in order to save the country.

The Press confirm that the Government has decided to create a special civil administration in Petrograd to maintain order and prevent the arrival of refugees from districts threatened by the enemy.

## PROTECTION OF PETROGRAD.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.

The Conference for the Protection of Petrograd, presided over by the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, resolved to prohibit the entry of unauthorised persons and refugees. It was also resolved to prohibit similarly their admission to Moscow.

## PROBABLE EXPULSION OF RUSSIAN GRAND DUKES.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.

Probably many nobles belonging to the old régime at present in the fortresses of St. Peter and St. Paul will be expelled from Russia, also the Grand Dukes Michael, Paul and Alexandrovitch.

## THE BALKAN CAMPAIGN.

## DESTRUCTIVE BRITISH FIRE.

PARIS, Sept. 8.

An Eastern communiqué states:—On the 6th inst., the artillery struggle was somewhat violent in the region of Vardar, especially on the left bank, where the British artillery continued a destructive fire.

## WAR ENTHUSIASM IN GREECE.

ATHENS, Sept. 8.

Telegrams from the provinces state that there is an enthusiastic response to the call to the 1916 and 1917 classes. The recruits are clamouring for war.

## A DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8.

The Austrian Emperor has commuted the sentence of death passed on Dr. Adler, who assassinated M. Sturzkh, formerly Prime Minister of Austria, to eighteen years' penal servitude.

## A DESPERATE FIGHT IN TRIPOLI.

## ITALIANS HEAVILY DEFEAT TRIBESMEN.

ROME, Sept. 8.

An Italian column near Aglibah, in Tripoli, moved against 5,000 rebel tribesmen with five guns directed by a Turkish officer.

A desperate fight ended in the defeat of the tribesmen who left a thousand dead on the field, two guns, numerous rifles and munitions.

The Italians are pursuing them.

## GENERAL LUENDORF'S TRAIN IN COLLISION.

## GENERAL AND STAFF "SLIGHTLY INJURED."

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8.

A Berlin telegram discloses that a train by which General von Ludendorff was travelling at the end of August collided with a munitions train. The former was smashed and overturned. General Ludendorff and his Staff were slightly injured by splinters.

## THE FRENCH CABINET CRISIS.

## THE REASON.

PARIS, Sept. 8.

The Cabinet crisis was due to the Almeryda revelations mentioned on the 6th inst., which resulted in the resignation of the Minister of the Interior, who was accused of laxity in his administration and with facilitating German propaganda.

The Journal des Débats says that the country is complaining of the indecision of Ministers.

An important group of unified Socialists last evening rejected a proposal not to participate in the next Cabinet, and resolved upon giving their whole-hearted support to the Government in the national defence, with a view to a vigorous prosecution of the war and the protection of the interests of the workers.

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## AMERICAN PROHIBITION OF COIN AND BULLION EXPORTS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.

The President prohibits the export of coin and bullion currency after a recent excess under licence for the purpose of sending to the gold supply, which comes from Mexico and Spain, has recently drawn heavily upon

## HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY CO. LTD.

## Form of application for Shares.

To the General Managers of  
HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED,  
Gentlemen,

Having paid to the Company's bankers the sum of \$10 per share for the deposit of \$10 per share, I (or we) request you to allot to me (or us) shares on the terms of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association and I (or we) agree to accept the same or any less number that may allot to me (or us) and I (or we) authorise you to register me (or us) as the holder(s) of the said shares.

Name in full.....

Address.....

Description.....

Compania General de Tabacos de Filipinas.

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A FIRST-CLASS CHEROOT AT A CHEAP PRICE.

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To-day's Advertisements

The China Mail.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa  
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, Sept. 10, 1917.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INTERIM DIVIDEND WARRANTS for the INTERIM DIVIDEND of \$2.50 per share payable to all shareholders on the Company's Register at 30th September, 1917, may be obtained at the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on and after the 8th October, 1917.

Notice is further given that the SHARE REGISTER AND TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th October, 1917, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. M. DYER,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2021

DOLLAR INSTITUTION,  
SCOTLAND.(CHARLES S. DOUGALL, M.A.  
(formerly Etonian Fellow, Glasgow  
University, Headmaster; which Re-  
opens on 3rd September, provides at  
a moderate cost a complete HIGH  
SCHOOL EDUCATION in all Depart-  
ments from 10 years of age upwards.  
Illustrated Prospectus may be had on  
application to the HEADMASTER, or  
to THOS J. YOUNG, F.C.I.S., Secretary,  
or from the China Mail, Hongkong.

Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2021

WANTED.

OFFICE ASSISTANT, Portuguese,  
with good knowledge of English.  
Apply in own handwriting.

P.R.

C/o CHINA MAIL Office,  
Hongkong, August 29, 1917. 2021

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received in-  
structions to sell by Public Auction,  
(for account of the concerned),SATURDAY,  
the 29th September, 1917, at 10.30 a.m.,  
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,  
Des Voeux Road, Corner of  
Ice House Street.A LIEGE CONSIGNMENT OF  
DRUGS, CHEMICALS,  
DISTINCTIVES, ANTISEPTICS,  
AND HOSPITAL SUNDRIES,  
Consisting of:-QUININE in bulk and tablet form,  
Balsam Perù, Olein Ricini, Oleum  
Olivae, Styra, Iu. Ung. Acid Boric,  
Ung. Hydrol. Ciner, Ung. Zinc, Iodo-  
form, Formaldehyde, Lanolin, Acid  
Carbol, Pur, Lic. Alumini. Acet, Tinct  
Myrra, Tinct Opium, Gelatin Capsules,  
Chlorophor, Asperg, Spt Camphor, and  
a few gross of Medicines bottles, &c., &c.And  
A number of Tutes of Hypodermic  
Injections of Morphine, Cocaine, &c., &c.,  
and about 100 tubes of Salvarian,Also  
Several cases of medicated Cotton  
Wool, Bandages, Iodoform Gauze, &c.,  
&c., &c.N.B.—Several lines of the above  
drugs are now practically unobtainable  
owing to the War.Catalogues will be issued.  
On view from Friday the 28th inst.  
Terms—Cash.HUGHES & HOUGH  
Antiques  
Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2021

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO FOR TO-MORROW  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture,  
Pictures, Bath sheets, Pillows, etc.,  
at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Sept. 15.—  
University Re-opens.  
3.30 p.m.—Gymkhana at Happy Valley.SUNDAY, Sept. 16.—  
8.37 p.m.—New moon.MONDAY, Sept. 17.—  
Jewish year 5678 begins.TUESDAY, Sept. 18.—  
Stock Exchange Day: Hongkong Stock  
Exchange.SATURDAY, Sept. 22.—  
Michaelmas Day.Noon—Douglas Steamship Co.'s  
Meeting.

Moors, Oct. 1.—

October Criminal Sessions commence.

MOWAY, Oct. 8.—  
General Holiday.

by imports from America in addition to large quantities of other oils. Moreover it is declared that Sweden has discriminated against the Allies in the use of her railroads, and is holding up a large amount of shipping. The report indicated how the United States could force Sweden's shipping on the world trade routes by the control of coal for bunkering. An arrangement was stated to be under negotiation which would give the American and British Governments control of all Allied and neutral tonnage. Vessels now held in port for fear of U-boat attacks would be required to go into service, and steps were to be taken to see that directly or indirectly American supplies do not go to feed the enemy. Neither Germany nor Sweden can afford to despise the entry of the United States into the war on the side of the Allies, and Sweden will have only herself to blame if the Allies in view of these revelations shape their policy towards her in the way clearly demanded by the circumstances now disclosed.

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Luk Wing Ting has telegraphed a report on the present situation in Kwangtung. He states the facts only and does not express opinion. He was released, however, Li Yao Hon's appointment.

It is reported that Chang Ming Ki will be appointed to Kwangsi.

THE JAPANESE LOAN.

PEKING, Sept. 9.  
The payment of the first instalment of the Japanese loan, in addition to the Salt surplus, will enable the Government to carry on without difficulty. The postponement of the Boxer indemnity for five years increases the receipts of the Treasury, and the surplus funds were wisely used, China's credit will easily be restored.

Owing to the Government not being aware of the exchange, the Japanese loan has been remitted at a rate most unfavourable, costing the Government \$1,000,000.

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Notices are being served under the local Military Service Ordinance calling up men who are not already members of the local forces.

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The German and Austrian women and children interned in Siam number 111. Some ten or twelve of the children, being of school age, have been permitted to live at the schools they were attending, the Government making itself responsible for their board and tuition fees.

The Bangkok Daily Mail understands careful and thorough examination of the enemy ships seized at Bangkok has shown that in no case has really serious damage been done to them and that all the necessary repairs can be readily effected locally. The commencement of this work is apparently awaiting the decision of the Prize Court.

One of the largest and most elaborate Chinese funerals seen in the Colony for sometime took place last Saturday afternoon, the obsequies being those of the late Mr. Mok Cho Chuen, compradore of the firm of Messrs Butterfield and Swire, in whose service he had been for the long period of 43 years. Mr. Mok succeeded his father as the firm's compradore. The funeral procession was over a mile long.

A branch of St. Joseph's College School at Kowloon was formally opened on 5th inst. The ceremony of the blessing of the new school was performed yesterday by Bishop Pozzani, assisted by the Rev. Fr. G. Spada, the parish priest. There were present at the ceremony Rev. Bro. Almar, director of the College; Bro. Alphonse, principal teacher of the new school, and several parents of scholars, besides members of the College Staff. The school has been started in response to the repeated representations of former pupils of St. Joseph's College now residing at Kowloon; it fills a want that has been long felt. For the present the school embraces the three lower classes under the Government Code, viz., classes 7, 8 and 9. Fifty-five scholars were enrolled on the opening day.

When Mr. Frederic Shipman piloted the famous French-Canadian tenor Paul Dufault, on his triumphal tour through the East early this year, he signified his intention of organising another company to tour this part of the world. Mr. Shipman is making good this promise, for since his return to Australia he has been extremely busy engaging star artists from all countries and he has succeeded in getting together what he claims to be the best company of its type that has so far embarked upon a tour of the East. In organising the "Fantastics" Mr. Shipman has had in mind the universal unhappiness and depression existent to-day, and the members of the company are, therefore, all laughter-makers pure and simple, whose work will be to drive away, for the time-being, some of our inevitable gloom and sorrow. The "Fantastics" were to leave Australia in August, and their tour will commence in Hongkong at some time this month.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

Are you subject to attacks of diarrhoea? Keep absolutely quiet for a few days, rest in bed if possible, be careful of your diet and take Chamberlain's Colic, Colera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine has cured cases of chronic diarrhoea that physicians have failed to, and it will cure you. For sale by all Chemists and Storeskeepers.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

["Chinese Mail" Service.]

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LARCENIES FROM KOWLOON GODOWNS.

A Chinese coolie was charged before

Mr. Wood this morning with the larceny of 13 tin plates valued at \$3, the property of the Hongkong and Kowloon Co.,

Kowloon. The tin plates were found

tied around defendant's body as he came

out of the gate.

Another coolie was also charged with

stealing two skeins of wire from

the godowns.

His Worship remanded both cases to

next Friday.

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TRESPASSING ON BELCHERS  
FORTS.

Two Chinese coolies were charged before

Mr. Wood this morning with trespassing on Government property at

Belchers forts. Defendants were found

in the servants quarters where they

conducted themselves in a disorderly

manner, and using the place as a gambling house.

After hearing the evidence His

Worship fixed each defendant \$5.

## A ROLL OF SILK.

A Chinese was charged with the

unlawful possession of a roll of silk.

Defendant pleaded not guilty and

denied all knowledge of the roll of silk.

An Indian watchman of the Kowloon

godowns said he stopped defendant who

was coming out of the Kowloon godowns

at 5.45 a.m.—yesterday. He wanted

to know the cause of an "unshapely

lump on defendant's back. Defendant

then ran into Canton Road. He gave

chase and defendant dropped the roll of

silk which he picked up. The defendant

was finally arrested by an Indian

constable.

After hearing the evidence His Wor-

ship remanded the case to next Monday,

fixing bail at \$100.

ALLEGED LARCENY FROM A  
SHIP.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

The Cabinet has decided to carry out

measures with regard to emigration and

conscription, simultaneously.

## THE POWERS AND CHINA.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

The Allied Ministers, after a

further conference, have decided to

allow China to defer payment of

the Boxer indemnity for five years

unless payment is made by the

United States.

Defendant stated the fittings belong-

ed to him. They were bought at

Vancouver about three years ago.

After further evidence His Worship

## TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

## THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

ENEMY CROSS THE AA.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
A Russian official message states: In the direction of Riga, the enemy constructed bridges on the lower Aa, concentrating forces on the north bank under cover of his cavalry.

In the region of Zegvold, our cavalry is hindering the German advance.

We repulsed an enemy offensive to the south of Ruckatz Valley.

## GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
A German official message states: Between the Baltic and the Dvina, we drove back the Russians at many points, to positions they are consolidating.

## RIGA CATASTROPHE EXPLAINED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 10.  
An authoritative statement explaining the catastrophe at Riga, says it was due to the weight of the German thrust, particularly their artillery superiority. The fact that the bulk of the Russians showed discipline and courage is regarded very favourably, as the Riga Front was considered to have been the most disorganized, morally.

Military authorities maintain that there is no danger to Petrograd, but as a precautionary measure, a new administration for governing the City will be formed.

The Government is prepared to deal with reactionaries and will organise all the resources for the defence of the country and the continuation of the war.

The Commander-in-Chief, on the Northern Front, has declared that the Army's resistance is daily more determined and the enemy pressure is weakening; and if he reached Pskov by the beginning of the winter, he could not further progress, while a landing is improbable because the mine fields have not been broken through anywhere in the Baltic or the Gulf of Finland, and the Fleet and coast defences have been greatly strengthened.

## OVERCROWDING IN PETROGRAD.

AN APPEAL FOR PARTIAL EVACUATION.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.  
A Commissioner-General has been appointed to deal with overcrowding and he has appealed to the inhabitants not obliged to remain in Petrograd, gradually to leave the City, in view of the possibility of air raids, and the scarcity of provisions.

The *Reich* says that the Government is considering the question of removing to Moscow.

## A REASSURING STATEMENT.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 10.  
The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, who is controlling the partial evacuation of the City, in a reassuring statement on the military situation, advised the non-business population, owing to the food question, to leave in batches.

The Government has decided that the question of its own departure can be postponed for six weeks.

## MINISTRY OF FOOD SUPPLIES RESIGNS.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 9.  
The *Bourne Gazette* states that the Minister of Food Supplies has resigned owing to the increasing difficulties of the food problems.

## GENERAL ALEXIEFF GOES TO THE NORTHERN FRONT.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 9.  
General Alexieff, the former Gen. *enlistissimo*, is going to the Northern Front, on a visit of inspection.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND THE PAPAL PEACE NOTE.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.  
Great Britain has advised the United States that President Wilson's reply to Pope's peace proposals are, in effect, the same as Great Britain's reply.

## THE BRITISH FOOD SUPPLY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.  
In an interview with the *Handelsblatt* London Correspondent, Lord Rhondda declared that submarine warfare no longer caused anxiety regarding the wheat supply. "It had so stimulated cultivation that within a year the United Kingdom would be practically independent of imports as far as the chief foodstuffs are concerned."

## SWEDEN'S BREACH OF NEUTRALITY.

## ASTOUNDING REVELATIONS BY U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.  
The State Department has published official documents showing how the Swedish Legation in Argentina, acting as a secret means of communication between the German Chargé d'Affaires at Buenos Aires and the Berlin Foreign Office, transmitted information regarding the sailing of ships, with directions for their destruction by submarines.

Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, announces:

"The Department of State has secured certain telegrams from Count Luxburg, the German Chargé d'Affaires at Buenos Aires, to the Foreign Office in Berlin, which, I regret to say, were despatched from Buenos Aires by the Swedish Legation as its own official messages and addressed to the Foreign Office at Stockholm. The following are translations of the German text:

"May, 1917, No. 32.—This

Government has now released the German and Austrian ships, upon which hitherto a guard has been placed, in consequence of the settlement of the *Monte Prodigio* case. There has been a great change of public feeling, and the Government will, in future, only clear Argentine ships as far as Las Palmas, so long that the small steamer Oruñazco 31st January steaming which sailed on the 31st January, 300 tons, which is now running Bordejus with a view to change of flag, may be spared.

Possible, or else sink without any trace being left." (Signed) Luxburg."

July 3, 1917, No. 50.—I learn from reliable sources that the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs, who is a notorious ass and an Anglophile, declared in a secret session of the Senate that the Argentine would demand from Berlin a promise not to sink more Argentine ships and if not agreed to, relations would be broken off. I recommend a refusal, and, if necessary, the calling in of Spain to mediate." (Signed) Luxburg."

July 9, No. 64.—Without showing any tendency to make concessions postpone a reply to Argentine. Note until receipt of further reports. A change of Ministry is probable. As regards Argentine steamers, I recommend either compelling them to turn back or sink them without leaving any trace, or letting them through. They are all quite small." (Signed) Luxburg."

LATER.

Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, published the translation of the Swedish cipher telegrams without comment.

Copies of his announcement have been delivered to the Argentine Embassy and the Swedish Legation here.

The opinion is expressed that the purpose of the United States in publishing the correspondence is,

first: to show the nature of the relations between Germany and Sweden, and second: to disclose to Argentina the manner in which the German representative in her Capital has been secretly directing the destruction of her shipping and guiding his Government in its dealings with Argentina, diplomatically.

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stronger in Argentina than anywhere else in South America, practically the whole of which, with the exception of Argentina, has sided with the United States in the war against German autocracy.

## THE FRUIT IMPORT INTO BRITAIN.

## FOOD CONTROLLER THE SOLE IMPORTER.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
Mr. Lansing's revelations have created a sensation in Great Britain. It appears that the Foreign Office at Stockholm has been acting as a telegraph office for the German Government, regularly transmitting German cipher cables to Sweden, and the American Consulate-General has been secretly directing the destruction of her shipping and guiding his Government in its dealings with Argentina, diplomatically.

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The British Government learned of the existence of the system in the Spring of 1915, and told the Swedish Government that unless the practice ceased it would be necessary to place restrictions on Swedish cipher telegrams using British-controlled cables. The Swedish Minister in London, after some delay, promised that the practice would cease.

Similar assurances were given by Stockholm, where the Foreign Minister, in August 1915, admitted that there might, at one time, have been ground for complaint but, he added, "nothing of the kind has happened for some months, and it won't occur again."

It is noteworthy that the discovery and the deciphering of the present series of telegrams are due to the watchfulness and skill of the American Intelligence Service, and thus one of the first acts of the new enemy, whom Germany affected to despise, has been the exposure of a procedure which affords damning evidence against the German Government, and a neutral Government, whom it is charitable to regard as the dupes of Germany.

The contents of the published telegrams are a lesson to neutrals of the value that can be placed on German promises of concessions. The German representative at Buenos Aires, while enjoying the hospitality of the Argentine, is seen to be advocating the deliberate murder of Argentine subjects on the high seas and to leave no trace of a crime, which would make Argentina an enemy. This is consistent with the deliberate policy applied to others neutrals, especially Norway.

Furthermore, the assurance apparently given to the Argentine Government that Argentine ships only would be clear to Las Palmas, shows that the pretended immunity of Argentine ships, accorded with a show of magnanimity by Germany, is a pure farce, because this immunity was secured by Argentine undertaking that no Argentine vessels were found in the war zone.

It will be interesting to hear Argentine public opinion of the real nature of the "diplomatic victory" claimed by the Argentine Government.

## EXCITEMENT IN ARGENTINA.

Buenos Aires, Sept. 9.  
The American Embassy has received confirmation of the telegrams relating to the "attitude" of the Swedish Legation and the text of the telegrams of Count Luxburg, advising the German Government to sink Argentine vessels without leaving any trace.

The news, everywhere, has caused great excitement, and anti-German demonstrations are foreseen.

The police have taken preventive measures.

The demand for the recall of Count Luxburg and also the Swedish Minister is regarded as inevitable, but a rupture with Germany is not so likely, as Berlin evidently did not follow the advice of Count Luxburg.

## DISTINCTIVE DECORATION FOR FIRST EXPEDITIONARY TROOPS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
The War Office, in accordance with the King's wish, will specially recognise the services of the original British expeditionary forces, and arrangements are being made to award a distinctive decoration with a ribbon, but without a clasp, to participants, including Indians, in the earliest and most critical phase of the war, up to the time of the first battle at Ypres.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
The Silver Market is firm.

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The American Consulate-General announces that, apparently in keeping with the requirements of other nations in this connection, Americans hereafter travelling in the zone of the Russian Railway in Manchuria must have their passports vised by Russian authorities. It is understood that this is a temporary arrangement for the duration of the war only.

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## EAST AFRICA.

## BRITISH PROGRESS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

An official despatch from East Africa states:—We overcame the enemy resistance at Opondas, to the south of Mahanga, and occupied all the positions. Our troops are pursuing the enemy.

It is reported from the southern area, that the Germans have been dislodged from Tunduru and are retreating towards Hivala.

No Germans are now in Portuguese Nyasaland, or to the south of Rovuma.

## ANOTHER U-BOAT HORROR.

LONDON, Sept. 6.

The *Weekly Dispatch* relates a U-boat attack that connected with the sinking of the *Belgian Prince*.

A merchantman in the Atlantic saw a life boat drifting helpless, and steered towards it and saw a shoal of sharks following a waterlogged boat, which was badly smashed by gunfire. Fragments of human flesh and clothing were adhering to the sharks and the dead occupants were horribly mutilated, obviously having been killed or wounded while lying in the boat helpless, as the provisions taken off their ship were unopened and the tins were perforated by fragments of shell.

The dying were unable to defend themselves from the sharks, but they probably did not linger long in their agony.

The mate's papers, found aboard, enabled the merchantman to identify the boat as belonging to a British merchantman. The boat had been drifting for three months.

## THE DUTCH FISHING FLEET.

YARMOUTH, Sept. 9.

A meeting of the fishing boat owners has decided at present not to accept the British Government's offer generously to indemnify them

if they lay up 35 per cent. of their boats for two months, during which not more than 2,000 tons of fish shall be exported to Germany.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE BRITISH FRONT.

## ARTILLERY SLACKENS.

LONDON, Sept. 8.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:

The enemy artillery has been more active in the neighbourhood of Hargicourt. Elsewhere it has been less marked.

## FRENCH POSITIONS EXTENDED.

## OVER 500 PRISONERS CAPTURED.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

A French communiqué states:

On the right of the Meuse the French attacked this morning the enemy lines on a front of two and a half kilometres in the sector of Fosses and Cauchies Woods.

The operations were a complete success, despite a desperate enemy resistance.

We extended our positions north of the Fosses Wood and carried the whole of the Chaume Wood, and the line to the west dominating Cauchies Wood.

We captured over 500 prisoners.

## GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report states:

The French attack on Fosses Wood, north-westward of Bezonvux, failed. At Champs Wood, where the enemy gained ground, fighting continued.

## THE EAST AFRICAN OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 8.

The War Office announces:—We are pursuing the Germans: we dislodged from Upopo, and have occupied Malinje.

We repulsed enemy counter-attacks

in the vicinity of Upopo.

## ETHEL STAMP.

The London Gazette of July 18 states that the Military Cross has been awarded to Temp. Sub-Lieut. Percy R. H. Fox, R.N.V.R., (now 2nd Lieut. East Kent Regiment), for conspicuous gallantry and determination in leading his men under very heavy fire. He carried out valuable reconnaissance work and his coolness and personal example to all ranks with him greatly contributed to the success of the operations.

Lieut. Fox is the son of Mr. H. H. Fox, H. M. Commercial Attaché to whom many congratulations will be offered on his son's distinction.

Colonel Roosevelt, in addressing the

## THE V.R.C. FETE.

On Saturday night the Victoria

Recreation Club held its second fete this season under the patronage of H.E. Sir Henry May. There was very good attendance and many ladies were present. The programme provided was so good that the meeting proved as successful, if not more so, than the previous one.

The chief interest of the meeting appeared to be centred on the high dive competition. It was noticeable that three of the five competitors were boys. One of them specially distinguished himself by his neat entry into the water.

Mr. A. McKirky and A. A. Alves

served as starters and Messrs. T. Meek,

Bain, and Finch as time-keepers.

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A challenge cup for this race was presented by a gentleman interested in the Cadet corps.

HERDLE RACE.—(2 lengths):—Four

poles were laid across the bath and the

competitors had to climb over these

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# THE CHINA MAIL.

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Those who believe that Germany possesses a mysterious reserve of men must acknowledge that the figures are against them, but at the same time we must allow that she has a good, honest, calculable reserve in her depots. The reckless way in which she is willing to shed her sons' blood in vain attacks and impossible counter-attacks has had its effect. On the other hand, it is not to be denied that the losses of the Entente have been very considerable. That is true enough, but they have been divided between Russia, France and England, while Germany has borne the chief burden of the war, as far as the Central Powers are concerned. I have stated how new divisions have been formed out of old; but perhaps it is not generally known that the strength of the infantry battalions has been reduced from 1,050 to 750. At the beginning of the war the German division consisted of 12 battalions, or roughly, 12,500 bayonets. To-day it is reduced to nine battalions of 750 men each, or 6,750 men. These reductions have been forced on them by hard fighting and heavy losses. Even the artillery has been reduced in the same way. There are only four guns to each field battery, which formerly had six. The remainder have gone to create new formations. It has already been stated that within two months of the year's offensive, Germany has been obliged to use about 100 divisions of the 150-odd now on the Western front. That is a fact worth pondering over. But a large number of the battalions which were formed last year to be incorporated into the new divisions have already been used as drafts and broken up as independent formations. It was not expected that the Boche would be obliged to call upon them as drafts so soon as this.

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With regard to the giving back of the German colonies, it is unthinkable that this should be done, at least, it is to those who know what German rule has meant to the native races. The Prime Minister's recent hint that the German Colonies would not be given back to the orgies of lust and blood indulged in by German bureaucrats will have been welcomed not alone by those who have studied Germany's methods and "ideals" of colonisation, but also by the men of the King's Overseas Dominions and Colonies, whose same and considered judgement is that in the case of Germany the punishment meted out to her should be commensurate with her crimes.

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